Invitation to Bid Construction Manager

Voyageur Academy
Military Avenue, City of Detroit, County of Wayne

The Board of Directors of Voyageur Academy, a Michigan Chartered School, invites the submission of SEALED bids from qualified contractors for a **Construction Manager** with a maximum construction cost proposal to handle all work. The project is contingent upon the completion of the property purchase and financing for the construction.

Scope of Work: To construct a new three story 20 classroom school on a cleared urban site. The project includes a gymnasium, cafeteria and kitchen along with the classrooms. The features are three story, brick, glass over steel framing, member roofing, elevator, closed loop heat pump HVAC and complete site work. Completion is scheduled for August 15, 2008.

Pre-Bid Meeting will be conducted by the Architect, **Stevens Architects**, **LLC**, on December 20, 2007 at 1:00 p.m. at 4305 Military, Detroit, Michigan. A reservation form and statement of qualifications shall be completed to attend this pre-bid meeting. Please contact Stevens Architects, LLC, 209 Huron Avenue, Suite 1, Port Huron, Michigan 48060. Phone: 810-987-3755, Fax: 810-987-3701, Email: <u>listevens@stevensarchitects.com</u>. Bidders must attend.

Plans Available: One set of Bidding Documents shall be provided to each qualified bidder from the Architect, **Stevens Architects, LLC**. A plan deposit of \$50 per set is required. Plan deposits are refundable, provided plans and specifications are returned in good condition to the Architect.

Bids are due by 1:00 p.m. January 9, 2008 to LeRoy J. Stevens, AIA, Stevens Architects, LLC, 209 Huron Avenue, Suite 1, Port Huron, Michigan 48060. Phone: 810-987-3755, Fax: 810-987-3701, Email: ljstevens@stevensarchitects.com. Bids accepted after this deadline will not be considered. Once submitted, bids will be binding for 60 days after the bid opening. Contractors shall submit their bid on the bid forms provided by the Architect, with proof of insurance and ability of providing a Guaranty Bond in the form of a Performance Bond and a Labor and Material Payment Bond, in an amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the Contract Sum which may be required. Bid security in the amount of five percent (5%) of the bid, must accompany each Bid in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders. Faxed bids will be accepted.

Bid Opening: Bids will be publicly opened and read at 3 p.m. on January 9, 2008 at **Stevens Architects, LLC**, 209 Huron Avenue, Suite 1, Port Huron, Michigan. All bid proposals will be evaluated after the bid opening and submittal to Voyageur Academy.

Bidders: Bidders shall comply with legal requirements of the local municipality, County, State, and prevailing practices. The bidder shall provide evidence that they are experienced in this type of construction. The bidders shall read and review the bidding documents carefully, familiarize themselves thoroughly with all requirements and the site. All questions or clarifications regarding the bidding procedures, design, and construction documents should be directed to the Stevens Architects prior to the bid due date.

Familial Relationship: All bids shall be accompanied by a sworn statement disclosing any familial relationship that exists between the Owner(s) or any employee of the bidder and any member of the school. The Architect will not accept a bid that does not include a sworn and notarized familial relationship disclosure statement.

Voyageur Academy reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids and proposals by any or all contractors and reserves the right to accept/reject any or all bids, or waive irregularities in the bid submittals and/or errors in the proposals, which they feel to be in their best interest.